In the United States Court of Federal Claims

Nos. 13-608C and 13-672C (Filed: March 19, 2020)

ORDER

The court conducted a status conference on March 5, 2020, during which the parties discussed the implications for their case of the court's December 6, 2019 opinion on defendant's motion to dismiss in <u>Fairholme Funds</u>, Inc. v. <u>United States</u>, 13-465C ("<u>Fairholme Opinion</u>"). During that status conference, defendant suggested that it believed that its motion to dismiss the instant case should be denied based on the reasoning set forth in the <u>Fairholme Opinion</u> (even if defendant does not agree necessarily with the reasoning in the <u>Fairholme Opinion</u>). The court requests that defendant file a status report, by **no later than March 26, 2020**, stating whether it stipulates that its motion to dismiss should be denied based on the reasoning in the <u>Fairholme Opinion</u>. If defendant makes such a stipulation, the court will issue a ruling accordingly and stay further proceedings in this case pending the resolution of any interlocutory appeals flowing from the Fairholme Opinion.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Margaret M. Sweeney
MARGARET M. SWEENEY
Chief Judge

¹ The court will not construe such a stipulation as defendant conceding or waiving any arguments with respect to the propriety of the Fairholme Opinion.